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## ORIGIN

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This document is hereby regraded to  
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letter of 16 October 1973 from the  
Central Intelligence to the

- 25X1X6 1. [redacted] who is closely connected with resistance movements inside Spain, states that in mid-August 1946 the Alianza Nacional de Fuerzas Democraticas (ANFD), represented by Santa Maria (Santamaria), Secretary General of the CNT and Political Secretary of the ANFD, began conversations with the monarchists, represented by General Antonio Aranda and his close associate Carbonell. Reportedly, the ANFD proposed the dissolution of the Giral Government and the Cortes, the opening of a constituent period, the formation of a transition government, the holding of a plebiscite to determine the type of government with the exclusion of the Republic, amnesty, reinstatements, and a popular referendum after a one-year period. Other monarchists such as General Kindelan\*, General Alfonso de Orleans de Borbon, and an unnamed Admiral were kept informed of the discussions.
- 25X1X6 2. [redacted], early in September the proposals were embodied in a statement signed by Santa Maria, and were presented to Don Juan in Lisbon by Colonel Mendez Queipo, a person who enjoys the confidence of General Aranda. Don Juan, reportedly, indicated that he found the proposals acceptable in principle but that he doubted whether the ANFD represented the majority opinion of leftist opposition elements inside Spain. For this reason he felt it necessary that the proposals be approved by other outstanding leftists with whom he would be disposed to exchange views. General Aranda communicated Don Juan's reply to Santa Maria but softened it in order not to offend the ANFD since the pretender advised his representatives to continue their contacts with the Alianza.
- 25X1X6 3. [redacted] states that of the elements affiliated with the ANFD, the CNT, the moderate Socialists, and the Republicans of the Alianza Republicana Espanola (ARE) approve of the organization's negotiations while the Communists disapprove. It is [redacted] opinion that this situation has resulted in increased membership in the Communist ranks from among those elements opposed to collaboration with the rightists.
- 25X1X6 4. [redacted], Don Juan (on the advice of Jose Maria Gil Robles whose contacts in Spain are Candido Casanueva, Gimignano Carrascal, and Jose Maria Valiente) indicated in his reply to the ANFD proposals, among others, the names of several Republicans enrolled within the discipline of the Bloque Republicano de Izquierdas as possible opposition elements with

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\* Comment: [redacted] in France reported on 21 October that steps had been taken to arrange the return of Kindelan from the Canary Islands.

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whom he would be interested in exchanging views. The Bloque is one of the organizations which claims to represent Republicanism and which is not represented in the ANFD.

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5. According to [REDACTED] close to Manuel Torres Campana, Interior Minister of the Giral Government, early in October the Bloque Republicano, dismayed by what it holds to be the anti-Republicanism of the ANFD, was considering the possibility of approaching the Spanish Communist Party on the basis of that party's declared adhesion to the Giral Government, for the purpose of initiating discussions to bring about the establishment of a National Council of Resistance. Once agreement was reached between the Bloque and the Communists, other clandestine organizations which support unequivocally republican legality would be invited to join the Council.
6. Reportedly, the Bloque was informed that the time had passed for the establishment of a National Council of Resistance because of opposition from the Socialists and the CNT. The Bloque was urged to avoid at all costs any alliance with the Communist Party since it was not expedient for the Bloque to appear as the only Republican group united with the Communists and since such a demarche would place the Government-in-Exile in an unfavorable position. The Bloque was counselled to attempt to arrange a meeting of all opposition parties of the interior for the purpose of achieving joint action. Failing this, it was advised to enter the ANFD with a view to "neutralizing" it if it could not be "republicanized." [REDACTED] states that by mid-October discussions had been held in Paris with a delegate of the ANFD who indicated that the Bloque would be admitted on the same basis as the ARE. The Bloque was advised not to ignore the lessons learned from the liberation of many European countries if it wishes to have any influence after the overthrow of Franco.

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